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Honorable James Allen
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Allen:

I am sorry that your concern regarding the press reports on information passed to the government of Cuba has made necessary your letter to me of 18 November. As we have mentioned to members of your staff, we had hoped that the Department of State's answer to your 22 September letter would satisfy your concerns.

Unfortunately, there is little I can add to the reply you received from Mr. Bennet to your 22 September letter. I have been informed that, to the best of our knowledge, the State Department did not include any CIA-originated information in the material it provided to the Cuban government. In addition, CIA has not received any information that would suggest that anyone has been imprisoned, assassinated, or executed as a result of the information passed by the Department of State to the government of Cuba. Nor does the CIA have any information which would indicate what use the Cuban government made of the information it received.

Again I regret that this matter has taken so long. I will be happy to have a member of my staff meet with you personally if the above information does not satisfy your needs.

Yours sincerely,

STANSFIELD TURNER

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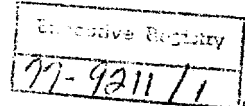
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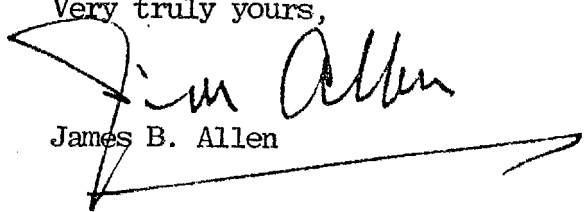
Admiral Stansfield Turner
Director
Central Intelligence Agency
Washington, D.C. 20505

Dear Admiral Turner:

I have received a reply from the Department of State in reference to my letter to you of September 22, 1977, in which I requested information regarding reports that the Department of State or the Central Intelligence Agency had provided information to the Castro dictatorship regarding citizens of the United States or legal residents of the United States in connection with their activities against the Castro regime.

Frankly, Admiral Turner, the Department of State letter was of little or no value to me, and I would accordingly appreciate whatever information you can provide to me on this subject in an unclassified format. Specifically, I would like an affirmative or negative response to the allegation which has been made that information on American citizens or on legal American residents has been provided to the Government of Cuba by the United States Central Intelligence Agency or by the Department of State. I recognize the necessity of protecting sensitive sources, and therefore a general but direct response would be, I am certain, entirely sufficient.

Very truly yours,


James B. Allen

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COMMITTEE ON
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September 22, 1977

Admiral Stansfield Turner
Director
Central Intelligence Agency
Washington, D.C. 20505

Dear Admiral Turner:

I have been somewhat alarmed to read in the news media that the Department of State and, by inference, the Central Intelligence Agency both have provided information to the government of Cuba bearing on the identity and activities of certain anti-communist groups seeking the overthrow of the present Cuban dictatorship.

While I recognize the necessity and desirability of curbing international terrorism, in my judgement it would be a grave error to wrongly identify as terrorists individuals belonging to anti-communist organizations seeking to overturn one of the worst dictatorships in the history of man. Accordingly, please provide me promptly with a detailed report as to the exact extent and nature of the information provided to the government of Cuba, together with your analysis of the use of such information by the Cuban dictator. Specifically, please advise whether the government of Cuba has imprisoned, assassinated, or executed any individual as a result of the information provided to the government of Cuba by the government of the United States, and if so, identify in each case the individual's name, address, and occupation.

Very truly yours,

Jim Allen
James B. Allen

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